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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: UN, OCON, SENV, AS

SUBJ: UN WATER CONFERENCE: RESOLUTION ON "WATER POLICIES
IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES"

REF:(A) STATE 65125, (B) MAR DEL PLATA 0071,
(C) STATE 63040, (D) MAR DEL PLATA 0047

1. BY TIME EMBOFF WAS ABLE CALL ON OFFICERS IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION BRANCH, DFA, EARLY 25 MARCH (AUSTRALIAN TIME) TO DISCUSS GOA POSITION ON REFERENCED RESOLUTION AND URGE THEM TO CHANGE THEIR ABSTENTION TO NO VOTE, INSTRUCTIONS TO AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION HAD ALREADY BEEN SENT (AS DISCUSSED BELOW) AND EMBOFF UNSUCCESSFUL IN ATTEMPT TO PERSUADE THEM CHANGE POSITION. AS WE SEE IT, GOA STRONGLY INCLINED PREFER ANONYMITY OF AN ABSTENTION TO MORE HIGHLY VISIBLE POSITION TO BE ACQUIRED BY NO VOTE, ESPECIALLY IF VOTE TO BE TAKEN ON RESOLUTION AS A WHOLE.

2. DFA HAS INSTRUCTED ITS DELEGATION TO CONTINUE ABSTENTION ON RESOLUTION IF VOTED ON AS A WHOLE, UNLESS THERE APPEARS TO BE "GENERAL MOVEMENT" IN WEOG TO SWITCH FROM ABSTENTION
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TO NO. IF SUCH PROVES TO BE CASE, AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION AUTHORIZED TO VOTE NO.

3. IN EVENT OF SEPARATE VOTING ON EACH PARAGRAPH, WHICH DFA WOULD PREFER, AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION INSTRUCTED ABSTAIN ON ALL PARAGRAPHS EXCEPT THIRD OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH, WHERE IT INSTRUCTED VOTE NO. HOWEVER, IF SWING DISCUSSED IN PARA 2

TAKES PLACE, THEN AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION AUTHORIZED VOTE NO
ON OTHER PARAGRAPHS.

4. WE UNABLE GET REAL INDICATION FROM DFA AS TO GUIDELINES
GIVEN TO AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION AS TO WHAT MIGHT CONSTITUTE
"GENERAL MOVEMENT" IN WEOG AND SUSPECT THEY GIVEN FAIRLY FREE
HAND. ASSUME USDEL WILL KEEP AUSTRALIANS CLOSELY INFORMED AS
WOLF OF FIRM COMMITMENT VOTE "NO" AMONG WEOG RECEIVED.
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